

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 51st Legislature (2007)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 1686

6 By: Nations

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8 An Act relating to motor vehicles; prohibiting  
9 operation of all-terrain vehicles by certain persons  
10 without a crash helmet; prohibiting passengers on  
11 all-terrain vehicles; providing penalty; authorizing  
12 enforcement of statute by peace officers; defining  
13 term; stating applicability of certain provisions;  
14 providing exception; providing for codification; and  
15 providing an effective date.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11-1117 of Title 47, unless  
19 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. It shall be unlawful for a person less than eighteen (18)  
21 years of age to operate or to be carried as a passenger upon an all-  
22 terrain vehicle unless the person wears a crash helmet of a type  
23 which complies with standards established by 49 C.F.R., Section  
24 571.218.

B. It shall be unlawful for the operator of an all-terrain  
vehicle to carry a passenger unless that all-terrain vehicle has

1 | been specifically designed by the manufacturer to carry passengers  
2 | in addition to the operator.

3 |       C. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this  
4 | section shall be punished by a fine of not more than Twenty-Five  
5 | Dollars (\$25.00). Any peace officer of this state including, but  
6 | not limited to, park rangers, is authorized to enforce the  
7 | provisions of this section.

8 |       D. As used in this section, "all-terrain vehicle" means a  
9 | motorized vehicle manufactured and used exclusively for off-highway  
10 | use which is sixty (60) inches or less in width, with an unladen dry  
11 | weight of one thousand five hundred (1,500) pounds or less,  
12 | traveling on three or more low-pressure tires, having a seat  
13 | designed to be straddled by the operator, and which is steered by  
14 | the use of handlebars.

15 |       E. The provisions of this section shall apply only to persons  
16 | operating all-terrain vehicles on public lands.

17 |       F. The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons  
18 | operating an all-terrain vehicle on privately owned property.

19 |       SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2007.

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